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Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 30, 1997

In response to the Office Action dated October 30, 1997, the time period for response being extended to April 30, 1998 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 14, 15, 28, 29 and 32 without prejudice.

Please amend the following claims:

In claims 2 and 21, line 1, change "1" to --33--.

(Amended) The stent of claim [1] 33, wherein [the] connecting member has a plurality of alternating segments.

(Amended) The stent of claim 8, wherein each of the plurality of alternating curved segments [have] has an amplitude and a wavelength, and wherein the plurality of alternating curved segments have a [higher] smaller amplitude and a [smaller] greater wavelength when the annular elements are in the expanded state than when the annular elements are in the compressed state.

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